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PETITION UNDER RULE 47

Sir:

Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR §1.47(a) to accept the above-identified application to be made by one of the joint inventors, Mr. Floyd Guidry, on behalf of himself and the nonsigning inventor, Mr. William H. Kampen. Specifically, petition is hereby made to accept the above-identified application since Mr. Kampen cannot be found or reached after diligent effort.

The pertinent facts in support of this Petition are set forth in the attached Declarations of Ms. Lori Hass and Ms. Linda Komoroski. To summarize such facts, Ms. Hass prepared and send his Federal Express a package to Mr. Kampen at his last 1140 18517985 kindwhiteddress -- namely 175008en Franklin Drive, Sarasota, Ft. 24236 24236 200 high 130.00 pp included a copy of the above-identified application, an inventor's Declaration pursuant to Rule 63 and an assignment in favor of BASF Corporation (BASF). However, on August 8, 2005, a Federal Express employee telephoned Ms. Hass and informed her that Mr. Kampen did not reside at the Sarasota, Florida address and thus delivery of the package was not made.

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Ms. Komoroski, a colleague of Ms. Hass, conducted an internet white pages telephone directory search and located a telephone number for a William H. Kampen at a Florida address different than Mr. Kampen's last known Sarasota, Florida address to which the application papers were sent. However, when Ms. Hass attempted to call the number which Ms. Komoroski had located during her internet search, she received a recorded message from the telephone company that the number had been disconnected. Ms. Hass therefore could not send BASF confidential information to the William H. Kampen listed in the internet telephone directory since she could not verify he was the same individual as the William H. Kampen listed as a joint inventor of the subject application.

At present, therefore, Mr. Kampen cannot be found or reached after diligent efforts to do so. As such, granting of this Petition is believed to be in order and such favorable action is solicited.

The fee set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(h) is also attached. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14 1140.

Respectfully submitted,

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